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Gasworks Arts Park & World Laughs presents MARCUS RYAN - 'EAT, PRAY, WALK' Melbourne International Comedy Festival

## You'll laugh, you'll cry, but mostly you'll ask... WHY?



Regional Arts Victoria Award Melbourne Fringe 2024 'Best International Show' Atlanta Fringe 2023 'Patrons Pick Award' Orlando Fringe 2023

UNESCO dual pilgrim adventurer Marcus Ryan has performed in 57 countries & 6 continents. Fresh from a world tour including Edinburgh Fringe & the London West End and scooping an award at the Melbourne Fringe in 2024, 'Eat, Pray, Walk' returns by popular demand.

What makes someone walk a pilgrimage? Religion? Fitness? To find themselves? Or couldn't afford a bus?! If you're going to attempt the famous trek, you'd better damn well know why!

"When I was a kid, I hated walking. Dad loved it and I never understood why. In

2017 - of my own free will - I chose to walk over 1,000kms across France & Spain. NOW I know why he loved it so much. That is the journey."

**'Eat, Pray, Walk'** is a heartwarming, hilarious and inspiring journey of great proportions - and great portions of bread - tackling the physically and emotionally draining pilgrims route, Camino de Santiago Compostela. 40 days on blistered feet on a diet of tapas & sangria, encountering interesting and not so interesting characters from all walks of life, in search of answers, but mostly in search of a hot shower and free Wi-Fi. Faced with injuries and near death, angry dogs, snorers, bed bugs, getting lost in scorching deserts and being caught in a political revolution, with only borrowed shoes, a broken backpack and sense of adventure, this is a tale you'll want to hear, but be glad you didn't live!

"Incredibly funny. Will leave you inspired" - \*\*\* Perth Happenings, 2020

"Charms the audience from the get-go. Terribly funny"  $\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$  Edmonton Journal

"Heartwarming, engaging and a damn good story"  $\bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar$  Upside, Adelaide

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